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# GENERAL NOTES

This publication is based on data obtained by the National Center for Education Statistics, U.S. Department of Education, from all accredited institutions of higher education. These data cover earned degrees conferred in the aggregate United States, which includes the 50 States, the District of Columbia, and the U.S. Territories and Outlying Areas (American Samoa, the former Canal Zone, the Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands). Degree data are compiled for a 12-month period, July of one year through June of the following year. For convenience, degrees for such a given 12-month period will be referred to by the year in which the period ended, e.g., 1994 means the 12-month period ending June 1994.

There were changes in the classification of fields between 1985–91 and 1992–93. See the Technical Notes for information on the field classifications used. Because racial/ethnic data were collected by broad fields of study only, the definition of science and engineering used by the National Science Foundation (NSF) for this report must include fields normally not included. There is one instance where this difference has a large impact—the broad field of “Social

Sciences.” The U.S. Department of Education includes the field of history in this broad category, so when it collects the racial/ethnic data, this field is included.

Before 1985, the broad category of “Engineering” included engineering technologies. This report is different from earlier reports in that it excludes engineering technologies so that trend data by race/ethnicity are more consistent with the definition of science and engineering used in other NSF reports. If the reader is interested in earlier data for science fields (that are consistent from 1977 to 1993), please request *Science and Engineering Degrees, by Race/Ethnicity of Recipients: 1977–91*, NSF 94-306.

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